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LETTER TO EXAMINER

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2005 the applicant traverses the rejection because the cited reference is not properly prior art in the present application. The applicant requests reconsideration.

Remark/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.